PSC Solution: TIP0006a

Revision: The Workbook SY has been changed from 2009-10 to 2010-11. The note on 032 has been removed now that the file guidance has been updated. SY 2009-10 has been changed to ALL.

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Application: ESS

School Year: ALL

File Specifications: N/X032, N/X037, N/X040, N/X043, N/X075, N/X078, N/X079, N/X081,

C175, C178, C179

Solution Type: Technical Tip

Title: Clarification of the Migrant Status Data Element

Issue Description:

This Solution provides clarification to the guidance on submitting data for the Migrant Status data element across multiple file specifications.

First, it is important to understand that for all file specifications, when the phrases "eligible migrant children" or "eligible migrant students" are used, the definition is:

Children who are, or whose parents or spouses are, migratory agricultural workers, including migratory dairy workers, or migratory fishers, and who, in the preceding 36 months, in order to obtain, or accompany such parents or spouses, in order to obtain, temporary or seasonal employment in agricultural or fishing work (A) have moved from one local education agency (LEA) to another; (B) in a state that comprises a single LEA, have moved from one administrative area to another within such LEA; or (C) reside in an LEA of more than 15,000 square miles, and migrate a distance of 20 miles or more to a temporary residence to engage in a fishing activity. (EDFacts Workbook SY 2010-11, Section 4.4.1, pg. 14)

However, please note the following difference in how the guidance is stated for the following two groups of file specifications:

1. For N/X032, N/X037, N/X040, N/X043: Follow the guidance in ED*Facts* Workbook SY 2010-11, Section 4.4.1, pg. 14 (quoted above)

2. For N/X075, N/X078, N/X079, N/X081: Follow guidance in ED*Facts* Workbook, Section 4.4.1, pg. 14 (quoted above) **PLUS** do not include in this category students who are not eligible migrant children but participate in the Migrant Education Program under other provisions.

Note that files C175, C178, and C179, have the additional sentence about not including students who participate but are not eligible because ED believes that there is a risk that these students would be included. The participating but not eligible students are not included in file specifications N/X032, N/X037, N/X040, and N/X043 either. These file specifications don't have that additional warning sentence because ED does not believe that there is a risk that these students would be included.